

## GREEKS AND BULGARS BATTLE

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GREEK PRESS IS SILENT

New Offensive in Flanders is  
Begun by German Troops  
in That Field.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—(By Associated Press.)—Fighting between small detachments of Greek and Bulgarian troops is reported in a despatch from Brindisi, Italy, to the Havas News Agency. It is said several Greek officers and soldiers were killed or wounded, and that the Greek government is hastily forwarding reinforcements to the scene of the fighting.

The despatch says that disturbances occurred in the province of Epirus at the western end of the Serbo-Greek border. A Bulgarian advance guard is said to have penetrated Greek territory after an encounter with Greek outposts resulting in lively fighting.

The Greek press maintains silence in regard to these incidents, "but the despatch continues, "but the government is disturbed. Greek detachments have been sent hastily to Koritza and Cognatespi to reinforce the garrisons there.

NEW OFFENSE BEGUN  
IN FLANDERS DISTRICT

LONDON, Dec. 20.—(By Associated Press.)—Withdrawal of the British troops from the Arras and Salva bay regions of the Gallipoli peninsula is announced in a brief official communication given out here this afternoon. Beyond the statement that movement was effected successfully few details are given and no allusion is made to the Allied forces on the Seddul-Bahr at the tip of the peninsula.

Some indications of the long expected offensive by the Germans in Flanders, where the massing of Teutonic troops is said to have been in progress for several weeks, is contained in official British and French reports which state that under a cloud of gas Germans attacked British trenches northeast of Ypres. According to these reports the Germans failed to completely take the trench and emerged from their own trenches and those who did so were mowed down by artillery fire.

The attack was delivered in the (Continued on page 3.)

SECOND NOTE IS  
SENT TO VIENNA

Contents Are Said to Be Virtual  
Reiterations of First  
Note to Austria.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—(By Associated Press.)—Secretary Lansing announced today that the second American note to Austria on the sinking of the Ancona had gone forward yesterday. While Mr. Lansing gave no intimation of its contents the note is understood to be a virtual reiteration of the original American demands, with the implication that it is the United States' last word on the subject.

The text of the note will be issued for publication in newspapers Wednesday afternoon, Mr. Lansing said. The note is about 600 words long and although characterized by those acquainted with its wording as firm in tone, is said to be somewhat less sharp than the first note of its demands.

NARROW ESCAPE  
OF BELGIAN KING

And Queen from Death When  
Aviators Throw Bombs  
into Fishing Village.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—(By Associated Press.)—Details of the narrow escape from death recently of the king and queen of Belgium when German aviators threw bombs on the fishing village, where the royal couple now reside, are printed today by the Petit Journal.

The king and queen were coming out of church from mass, says the paper's correspondent, when six German aeroplanes appeared. Apparently they were coming from Ostend. The king at once told the people to scatter and take shelter, but the aeroplanes approached so rapidly that few had time to comply with his instructions before the machines were over the village. Two bombs fell a few yards from the king and queen but they were not hit by the flying fragments. The correspondent continues:

"This is the sixth air raid which has been absolutely unjustified since the village is unfortified and is inhabited only by fishermen. What makes it worse is that the aeroplanes came from the section of the German front commanded by the prince of Wurtemberg, first cousin of the Belgian queen."

SEND NAMES AT ONCE.

All names of worthy and needy persons desiring Elks' Christmas baskets should be sent to H. Frank Horr, chairman, by Wednesday morning, December 22. Kindly give street address along with name.

## EASTLAND SOLD

At Auction to Captain Evers of  
the Illinois Naval Reserve  
for \$46,000.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—(By Associated Press.)—The steamer Eastland, which overturned at its dock in the Chicago river July 24, causing the loss of 812 lives, was sold at auction Monday to Captain Edward A. Evers, of the Illinois Naval Reserve, for \$46,000. The vessel was offered for sale by the United States marshal on an order from the United States district court based upon claims for salvage by the wrecking company which raised the ship.

Captain Evers has announced that the boat will be used by the naval reserve after certain alterations have been made in the hull, which he is sure will make it seaworthy.

The Eastland is said to have cost the original owners \$350,000. For a time it was owned in Cleveland, O., and carried excursions out of that city.

ADAMSTON REPUBLICANS

Will Meet in Convention Wednesday  
and Name Ticket.

The Republicans of Adamston will hold a convention at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday evening in the Adamston school building for the purpose of nominating a ticket for the municipal election which will be held January 6. The call for the convention was issued by Frank L. Murphy, chairman, and D. H. Cutright, secretary, of the Republican committee.

PROGRESSIVE CONVENTION.

The Progressive party of Adamston will hold a convention in the school house there at 7 o'clock tonight, for the purpose of nominating a mayor, recorder and five councilmen, to be voted on at the town election to be held there the first Thursday in January, 1916.

## PEACE TERMS

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News was received this morning by telegraph of the death of Mr. W. W. Stephenson, near Bolan, Va. Mr. Stephenson died Sunday evening at 7:15 o'clock. He was a brother-in-law of C. M. McClintock of this city. The deceased man leaves a widow and six children—five daughters and one son. Mr. Stephenson was well known by a number of Clarksburg people.

TAFT IS ILL.

LaCROSSE, Wis., Dec. 20.—(By Associated Press.)—William Howard Taft is ill here today at the home of a former Yale classmate, George W. Burton. The former president contracted a severe cold on his way here to deliver a lecture. A telegram was sent ahead for a throat specialist to meet him upon his arrival last night.

RAILROAD MEN

Are All Too Busy Now Even to  
Think of Rest.

FAIRMONT, Dec. 20.—The men available for railroad work has no time to rest in Fairmont. The Baltimore and Ohio has snatched up everybody. Nobody is allowed off unless in death, sickness or marriage.

As a result of the full roll 3,395 carloads of coal were hauled out of the yards last week and shipped to points east. With a sufficient car supply Bailey Nuzum, yard master, is confident from 6,000 to 10,000 loads could be moved a week.

FIRST WITNESS FOR DEFENSE IS  
CALLED IN THE GAS RATE CASEYOUTH SHOT AT  
MEADOWBROOK

And Two Men Are Arrested  
and Placed in Jail for  
Hearings.

Resulting from the shooting of Joseph Filon, a young man, Sunday night at Meadowbrook, John Page and Michael Berlige, industrial workers of that place, were arrested there Monday forenoon and taken to the county jail in this city by Deputy Sheriff Leco Wolfe to await hearings.

Page is accused of wounding Filon, who was shot through the stomach with a revolver and who is in a serious condition, while Berlige is held as a witness in the case and is also charged with violating the prohibition law by selling whiskey.

Little could be learned by the deputy sheriff regarding the shooting. It is believed that Page and Berlige quarreled with Filon. The shooting occurred in front of the dwelling house, five shots being fired, two of which struck the house and another of which pierced a water bucket on the ground nearby.

## MARTIN RELEASED

From Custody under \$1,500  
Bond for Appearance be-  
fore Magistrate.

Robert Martin has furnished three bonds of \$500 each to appear in Magistrate Jackson V. Carter's court at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, December 28, for hearings or trials on the following charges: First, for resisting arrest; second, for having whiskey in a public building; and the last for violating the prohibition law.

Martin was arrested recently by Deputy Sheriff Vannort, Siers and Wolfe shortly after he had arrived in the city on a passenger train with a suit case containing twenty-four pints of whiskey. He was first apprehended in the Fordyce building by Officer Vannort but escaped and ran to his home in the Williams building, where he and Vannort engaged in a fight in which Vannort shot Martin in the leg. Following this Martin escaped. He was later apprehended on West Pike street and placed under arrest. He has been a patient in a local hospital ever since.

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Lee Ott, Former Chairman of  
Public Service Commission,  
on the Stand.

(By Associated Press.)  
CHARLESTON, Dec. 20.—J. W. Vandervort, federal master taking testimony on the appeal of the Manufacturers Light and Heat Company from an order of the West Virginia Public Service Commission lowering its rates, Monday heard the first witness for the defense, the company's side having been closed after hearings extending well over a year. It was said that Governor H. D. Hatfield would be called to refute the charge that he had coerced the commission.

Lee Ott, former chairman of the commission, was asked when he took the stand whether the governor had ordered the commission to make the order, but before he could reply, was stopped by an objection from A. Leo Wolfe, chief counsel for the light company. He was allowed, however, to say that he had never discussed the order with the governor.

Charles H. Bronson, Governor Hatfield's brother-in-law, a former member of the commission, and Wade C. Kilmer, also formerly connected with the commission, have been subpoenaed to testify before the master.

## NO INJUNCTION

Affects This Division of the  
B. & O. Regarding Li-  
quor Baggage.

Division officials of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad announce that they have not been apprised of the issuance of any injunction regarding the transportation of liquor as personal baggage which would affect this division.

An injunction issued recently by Judge Reynolds of Mineral county restrains train crews from permitting persons to ride between Cumberland and Dawson, Md., or Keyser and Plendmont and other intermediate points, whom they know to be carrying liquor for illegal purposes. The injunction has no effect if trainmen are not aware for what purpose the liquor is carried.

## MANY AGENTS

In the Employ of the Chief  
Plotter to Destroy Ships  
and American Factories.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Frederick Metzler, held with others in connection with alleged plots in this country to embarrass the Allies by hindering manufacture of or destroying munitions, made a full statement to the federal authorities Monday, concerning the activities of Paul Koenig, he said, had twenty-five agents in New York, and reported the results of his investigation to Captain von Papen, the German military attaché. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, Monday went before the federal grand jury which is investigating the alleged connection of labor's national peace council with the conspiracy of Franz von Ritten to foment strikes in munitions plants in this country.

NO DAMAGE AT PARKERSBURG.

PARKERSBURG, Dec. 20.—H. C. Howe, observer at the local United States weather bureau, last night stated that the river at this point on the present rise would probably not go above a stage of thirty-three feet, which if reached would be three feet below the flood line. From the reports in hand he said that no danger was anticipated in this section.

REFUGEE ASYLUM  
ACCORDED VILLA

Final Arrangements Are Being  
Made for Villa to Enter  
United States.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—(By Associated Press.)—State department officials have decided that General Villa will receive the asylum accorded a political refugee should he enter the United States. This decision was sent last night to General Fuston by the war department for transmission to Villa or his representatives.

State department agents had reported that alleged intermediaries had requested Villa's immunity from arrest, saying that if this was given Villa would abandon the fight against Carranza, and retire to private life in the United States.

The state department does not conceal its desire to have Villa eliminated. The intermediaries said that the plan was for the retirement from the field of the entire Villa army.

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ments for General Francisco Villa to

## NOVEL ISSUE

Of the Britannia Contains Pank-  
hurst Attack and Union is  
Not Baffled.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—A single sheet of foolscap closely typewritten on both sides takes the place this week of the customary issue of Britannia, the organ of the Women's Social and Political Union.

No mention is made of the police raid, which deprived the suffragettes of their printing press, which they had concealed in a garage, but Christabel Pankhurst continues in this novel issue the suffragette attack and shows no disposition to consider the Women's Social and Political Union baffled.

## RUMOR

About Submarine Which Sank  
Lusitania is Buried in House  
of Commons.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The long-lived rumor of the destruction of the submarine which sank the Cunard liner Lusitania, was buried in the House of Commons Monday afternoon. Asked if the British admiralty had received any official report as to the loss of the undersea vessel, Reginald McKenna, chancellor of the exchequer, replied:

"We have no such information."

TWO PAY FINE.

For being disorderly in Pike street Saturday night, two young men giving their names as Harry Bennett and John Janroy, paid fines of \$6.60 each in police court Sunday morning. They were arrested by Officer Joyce.

MISS CAVALLE LEADS  
CONTEST FOR PICTURE

With Only One Day Left to De-  
cide Who is to Be the Tel-  
egram's Heroine.

With 935 votes, Miss Catherine Cavalle is leading the "Who Will Be Ruth" contest, and there is only one day left before it will be finally decided who will be the heroine in the motion picture to be produced in Clarksburg by the Meliority Film Company and shown at the Robinson Grand three days, beginning January 6. Miss Nell McLeod is second with 669 votes, and Miss Goldie Wilkins is third with 660 votes.

Picture Named.  
All are now on the anxious bench waiting for the final result and hoping that their candidate will be one of the successful ones in the picture. After the contest closes comes the excitement of taking the picture which will be called "The Man Haters."

Men in Picture.  
As there are several male parts in the photoplay, any young man with dramatic ability or ambition, who is a resident of Clarksburg, may get in the cast by sending his name, age, weight and height, at once to director Conklin at the Robinson Grand theater, or calling at the Telegram office Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock.

Almost Closing Time.  
The last two days of the contest are at hand and the last coupon will appear Tuesday and must be deposited in the ballot box at the Telegram office before 8 o'clock Tuesday night. Contestants are advised to get their votes in at the earliest moment possible and not wait until the last, as there will be hundreds of coupons to count and the judges wish to an-

## OFFICERS ELECTED

By Stage Employees and Moving  
Picture Operators to Serve  
for Ensuing Year.

At a regular meeting of local union, No. 270 International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees and Moving Picture Machine Operators held Sunday afternoon, the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year: John L. Jacob, president; S. B. Korahner, vice president; Fred L. Hess, financial secretary and treasurer; Earl Stutler, business agent; R. C. Davisson, sergeant at arms; W. Lee Byers, inner guard; and E. A. Jacob, trustee for three years.

"SAFETY FIRST"  
IS THE KEYNOTE

NEW ARM STUMP IS  
GRAFTED ON SOLDIER.

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, Dec. 20.—A new arm stump has just been grafted upon the body of a British officer, who lost both arms in action and came back recently with a group of exchanged prisoners from Germany. His arms were amputated so close to the shoulder as to leave no stumps.

One of the most brilliant of London's surgeons has now built out a new stump to which an artificial arm may be at-

tached. He did this by taking out a piece of bone from the patient's leg and cutting a flap of skin from his body. Muscles were attached to the bone, so that the stump can be guided.

## POLAND DAY

January 1 is Designated by Ex-  
ecutive Proclamation by  
President Wilson.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—An executive proclamation designating January 1, 1916, as a day for making contributions for the relief of the stricken inhabitants of Poland was issued today from the White House. President Wilson signed the proclamation Saturday after the Senate had adopted a resolution suggesting that he do so. The fund thus raised will be administered by the American Red Cross to which the proclamation states, donations should be addressed.

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nounce the names of Ruth and her eleven supporting girls Tuesday night.  
The standing of all contestants follows:  
Miss Catherine Cavalle ..... 935  
Miss Nell McLeod ..... 669  
Miss Goldie Wilkins ..... 660  
Mrs. G. N. Wine ..... 575  
Mrs. C. E. Brown ..... 528  
Miss Margaret Healey ..... 430  
Miss Florence Glaspell ..... 422  
Miss Marie McKown ..... 364  
Miss Minnie Largent ..... 360  
Miss Hazel Gardiner ..... 328  
Miss Mary Osborne ..... 307  
Miss Jewel Miller ..... 240  
Miss Otto Yates ..... 230  
Miss Eric Mae Frame ..... 202  
Miss Margaret Wilk ..... 176  
Miss Ruth Henderson ..... 172  
Miss Reba Cohen ..... 156  
Miss Helen Sims ..... 132  
Miss Verna Jones ..... 120  
Miss Zima Wery ..... 120  
Miss Marcel Nesselrotte ..... 116  
Miss Lena Ora Smith ..... 115  
Miss Emma Milstead ..... 102  
Miss Mary Williams ..... 101  
Miss Aline Bassel ..... 100  
Miss Susie Darquenne ..... 100

COAL MEN ENJOY  
ANNUAL BANQUET

Second Annual Social Gather-  
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The second annual social meeting and banquet of the officials of the Hutchinson Coal Company was held Sunday afternoon in the Gore hotel with C. H. Jenkins, of Fairmont, secretary-treasurer, and J. C. Ryan, of Erie, general manager of the Hutchinson Coal Company, as honor guests.

The meeting was called to order at 2 o'clock in the upstairs lobby at the Gore hotel by C. D. M. Kramer, inspector. After calling the meeting to order Mr. Kramer delivered a short address on "Solidarity among the Officials," after which he appointed J. H. McCee chairman.

The second speaker of the afternoon was E. G. Vincent, fire boss at the Mt. Clare mine, who discussed "Solidarity among the Laborers." Other speakers of the afternoon were State Senator Roy E. Parrish, who spoke on "Co-operation," and M. C. Lough, of Fairmont, who spoke on "Efficiency."

At this point C. H. Jenkins and C. J. Ryan, the honor guests of the afternoon, were presented with handsome Howard watches by officials of the company. In the absence of Baker Kramer, of Mt. Clare, who was sick and unable to attend the meeting, the presentation speech was made by Howard M. Gore. Mr. Jenkins and Mr. Ryan responded with short speeches, thanking the officials in a cordial way for their handsome presents.

Following Mr. Ryan's address all retired to the dining room where an elaborate banquet was served, the menu consisting of:

Green Turtle Soup

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Of Addresses Delivered by Of-  
ficials of the Local Traction  
Company.

YEAR'S WORK REVIEWED

Big Gathering of Traction  
Motormen and Conductors  
in Empire Building.

"Safety first" was the keynote of the addresses delivered by officials of the Monongahela Valley Traction Company at a meeting of motormen and conductors of the system held in the offices of the Consolidation Coal Company in the Empire building Monday morning. About sixty-five motormen and conductors were present at the meeting.

Another meeting, along the same lines as the one held this morning, is to be held at 7:30 o'clock tonight. A much larger attendance is expected at the meeting, as a number of men, unable to be relieved from duty this morning, will be on hand.

Speakers at the morning meeting reviewed the work of the last year and made urgent pleas for elimination of accidents in the coming year. The idea conveyed by the speakers was that the men should exercise care to prevent accidents not only when the company is responsible, but when a mishap might occur through the negligence of a pedestrian, or driver of a vehicle.

Letters from prominent citizens congratulating the company on its good record for the last year were read. Among the writers of the letters were J. Carl Vance, Dr. W. P. Goff, Mayor G. H. Gordon, G. W. Dudderar and V. L. Highland. Officials of the company, residing in Fairmont, also wrote letters of congratulation, which were read at the meeting. In these letters was contained a request that every effort be made to eliminate accidents in the year 1916.

Mr. Highland's letter reads as follows:

"Mr. W. J. Flaherty, superintendent  
"Monongahela Valley Traction Com-  
pany,

"Clarksburg, W. Va.  
"Dear Mr. Flaherty:

"I noticed in yesterday's paper that you expect to hold a meeting of the employees of the traction company on Monday December 20, and I want to take this opportunity to congratulate upon the splendid management of the traction company during the last year. The uniform courtesy and loyalty of the men in your employ speak well for the management and show that the men operating the cars have a high conception of their duty in the operation of a public service corporation. I have occasion to ride on the street cars almost every day in the year and have always found all of your employees courteous and careful in their treatment of their patrons and at all times loyal to the company which they serve.

"I am very glad indeed to give this testimony of the efficient management of your company from all the employees regardless of their position. I congratulate you and all the employees of the company and wish you all a merry Christmas and a

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